

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(d) - EXPEDITE **EXAMINING GROUP 1762**

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In re: Das et al.

Serial No.: 10/045,542

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For: METHOD OF FABRICATING AN OXIDE LAYER ON A SILICON CARBIDE

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LAYER UTILIZING AN ANNEAL IN A HYDROGEN ENVIRONMENT

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, but before payment of the Issue Fee. The Notice of Allowance was mailed on June 27, 2003.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(1), the following Certification as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is made:

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Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three (300) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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